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Request for ESD Sampling and Analytical Assistance

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The purpose of this memorandum is to request the technical assistance of the Environmental Services Division, Surveillance and Monitoring Branch (SMB) in support of sampling activities for the Bayonne Barrel and Drum site in Newark, New Jersey.

The State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (NJDEPE) has requested that EPA stabilize the site by inventorying, characterizing and disposing of the abandoned materials at the site. As part of the removal assessment to determine whether the site warrants a CERCLA Removal Action, several vertical tanks and a number of drums need to be accessed and sampled.

The scope of work required of SMB is to access the three vertical tanks from the top, collect representative samples if material is present, and sample five to ten drums. The material in the tanks is expected to be phased. On-site air monitoring and field analyses, and off-site laboratory analyses will be arranged for by the Removal Program's TAT contractor.

A site visit is being arranged for November 7th to ascertain the best approach for accessing the tanks. Sampling assistance is requested for either the week of November 10th or 17th. If you have any questions please contact Nick Magriples at ext. 6930.

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